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MAGNETORESISTIVE EFFECT SENSOR, METHOD FOR

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The applicant elects Species 1 shown in Figure 1 in response to the election requirement. Claims 1-3 read on Species 1.

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